

need to maintain, by precept and by example, the modest personal expenditure and unpretentious ways of social intercourse implied by the ideal of equality between man and man—an ideal which is the very soul of the Labour Movement "

So far as "modest personal expenditure and unpretentious ways of social intercourse" went, she and Lord Passfield certainly set an example more important than her refusal to become a peeress

He, as Secretary of State, did not find himself at all in the quiet administrative job which the Prime Minister had led him to expect there On the contrary he was for a period, in the centre of a veritable whirlwind His term of office as Secretary of State for the Colonies covered a period during which problems emerged which roused strong feeling on the part of very vocal groups, not the sort of problems, either, with which he was always very familiar, or to which he was naturally attracted

True, in going to the Colonial Office, he was, m a sense, re-treading the footprints of his youth It was there, as a First Division clerk, that he had worked, between the ages of twenty and thirty There he had, for a period, lived, as Resident clerk In a desk, there, the Minutes of the Fabian Society had at one stage been housed In the wellmgh forty intervening years, however, the scope and nature of the issues with which a British Colonial Secretary has to deal had become enormously extended and complicated Simple Crown Colony Government, where Downing Street had the first and last word, had, in important

parts of the
Colonial Empire, been left behind, and, in
Malta, Ceylon,
the West Indies, Kenya, and elsewhere, the local
Legislatures
had now a large, if varying, share in the
management of
their own affairs Further, the War had left
Great Britain
as Mandatory Power for difficult regions of
the earth,
regions that at least in one case, that of
Palestine, presented
wellnigh insoluble antagonisms. The Colonial
Secretary